Massachusetts Office For Victim Assistance

Victim & Witness Assistance Board

# FY23 VOCA INFORMATIONAL SESSION

JANUARY 10, 2022

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## FY23 AND BEYOND.....

This procurement will represent one year and will run from July 1, 2022
 June 30, 2023.

It is anticipated that an open bid process for FY24 will occur in the final months of calendar year 2022.



# PRIORITY CATEGORIES

- Child Abuse
- Domestic Violence
- Sexual Assault
- Culturally specific populations
- Survivors of homicide victims
- Persons with disabilities
- LGBTQIA2+ victims



## MATCH

 MOVA will issue a blanket waiver of the match requirement for all agencies receiving a FY23 grant award.

You may opt out of the blanket waiver in section II of the application.



# DOCUMENTS WITHIN THE PROCUREMENT

- Request for Grant Application (RGA)
- Application (via eGrants)
- Organizational Questionnaire (via egrants)
- Budget (via eGrants)
  - Funding Request
  - Funding Request Prioritization Form
- Uploads (via eGrants)

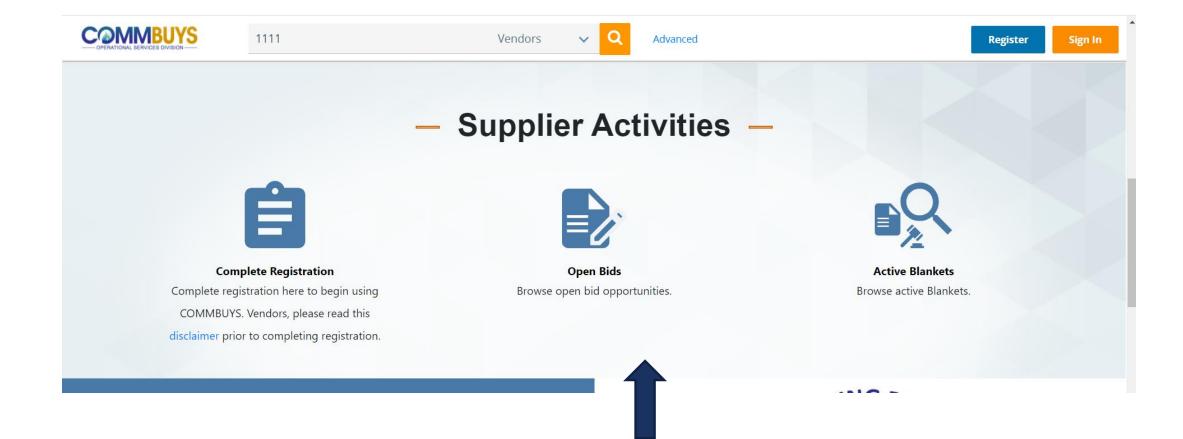


# HOW DO YOU FIND THE RGA AND NECESSARY DOCUMENTS ON COMMBUYS?

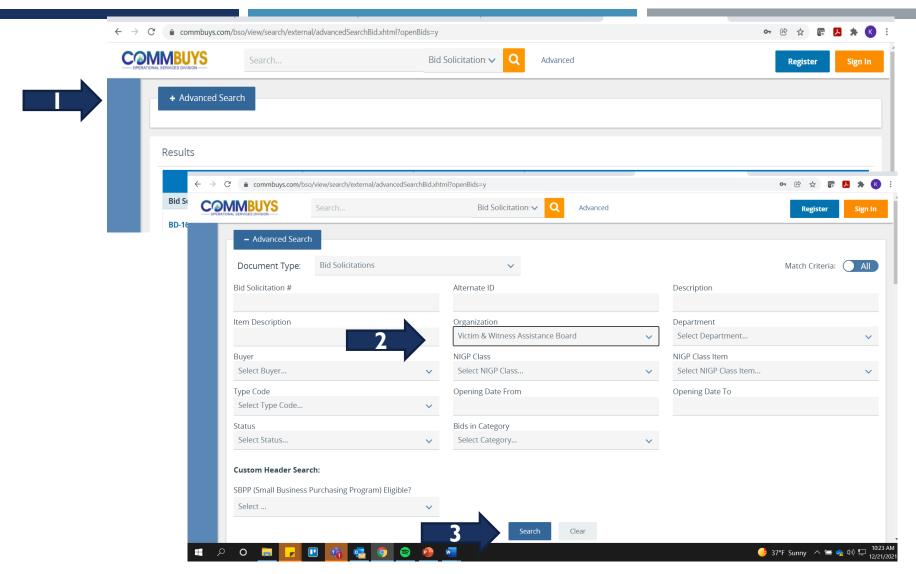
# From the <a href="www.commbuys.com/bso/">www.commbuys.com/bso/</a> main page:

- Under Supplier Activities, click 'open bids'
- Click 'advanced search' box in upper left corner
- Type 'Victim and Witness' into the Organization box
- Click 'search'











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# THE RGA

Your instruction manual

 Details the specifics of the procurement, application and the submission process



# **EGRANTS**

https://mova.intelligrants.com/



# **APPLICATION**

#### **Detailed information starting on Page 6, RGA**

#### Section I

Applicant Information

#### Section II

Match waiver, funding allocated, priority categories, program narrative

Organizational Questionnaire

**Funding Request** 

Uploads



# APPLICATION - SECTION II

#### Match

Indicate if you will be accepting/opting out of the blanket match waiver

#### **Percentage of VOCA Funding Allocated to Crime:**

Complete this section based on your VOCA funding request only

#### **VOCA Priority Categories:**

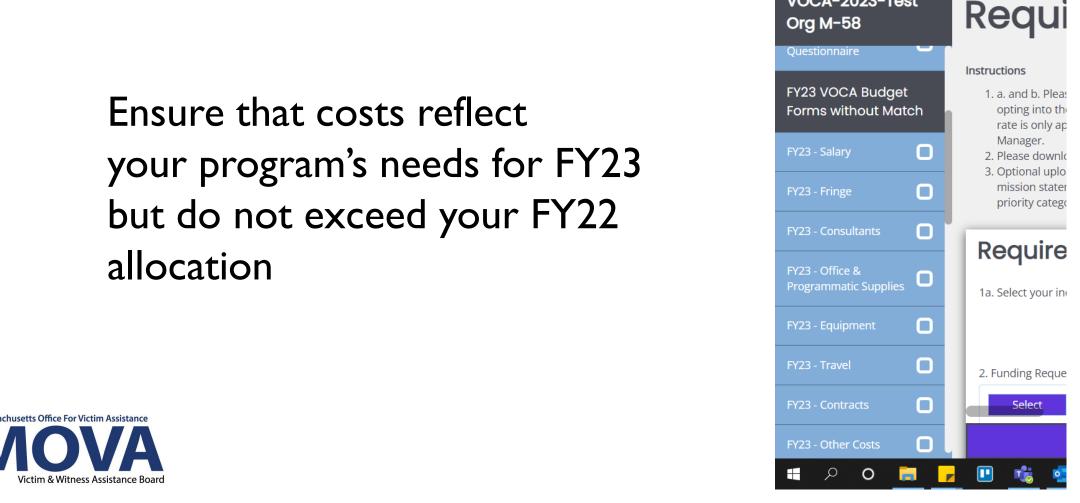
 If the mission of your VOCA program includes offering specialized services to meet the needs of the priority categories, check all that apply.

#### **Program Narrative**

- Question 1 is required
- Question 2 is required, where applicable



# **FUNDING REQUEST (BUDGET)**



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# FUNDING REQUEST PRIORITIZATION FORM

	-	_
AGENCY:		
PROGRAM:		
Personnel - Salary		
Line Item	Justification	Rank
tample: Jane Smith, Domestic Violence Advocate	The DV Advocate position is ranked 2. The position provides safety planning and referrals to clients after they are seen by the housing support specialist.  They work in tandem and are essential to the services we provide. We would not have other funding available to support this position.	2
tample: John Doe , Housing Support Advocate	As our program is primarily a housing support program, this advocate position is most essential for the continued operations of our services and therefore is ranked 1. We would not have other funding available to support this position.	1
ample: Sam Smith, Hotline Counselor	Hotline Counselor is ranked priority 5 on our budget request because our organization has available match funding and/or other funding sources that will cover the salary/fringe if VOCA funding is decreased	5



# **UPLOADS**

Indirect\*

Funding Request Prioritization Form\*

**Priority Areas** 

\* Response required



#### EVALUATION CRITERIA

- Prior compliance with VOCA P&P;
- Monitoring findings and agency response;
- Program history of rollover/reversion
- Review of the overall utilization of prior awards to support direct services;
- VWAB's compliance with federal VOCA priority funding categories;
- Prioritization of costs that are essential to the provision of direct services to victims of crime, as identified by MOVA.



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- For more information:
  - Current version of MOVA's VOCA Policies and Procedures Manual (<a href="https://www.mass.gov/doc/fy23-voca-rga/download">https://www.mass.gov/doc/fy23-voca-rga/download</a>)
  - Federal Civil Rights and Non-Discrimination Compliance Resources section of the For Currently Funded Agencies page on MOVA's website (<a href="https://www.mass.gov/service-details/for-currently-funded-agencies">https://www.mass.gov/service-details/for-currently-funded-agencies</a>)

# **QUESTIONS?**

- Questions will be accepted in writing to <u>kristen.tavano@mass.gov</u> until January 25.
- All questions and answers will be posted by January 27.
- Applications due no later than II:59pm EST on February I.



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